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CELL AND PLASMA CELL POPULATIONS

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REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

In reply to the Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment mailed May 23, 2008, Applicants elect the species of Bcl-xL. This election is made without traverse.

In the Reply filed on February 26, 2008, Applicants elected Group I, claims 1-8. Of that group, the present species election reads on claims 1-8. It is understood that upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicants will be entitled to examination of claims to additional species that depend from or otherwise include all limitations of the allowed generic claim. Applicants further understand that claims 1-3 and 5-8 are generic. In addition, Applicants submit that the second species election set forth in the Restriction Requirement mailed on January 8, 2008, does not apply to the claims of Group I.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned agent if such would further prosecution. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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